

REMARKS

Figure 10C is not necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented. Deletion of Figure Legend 10C is required to make the Figure Legends consistent with the Figures submitted with the application. No new subject matter is introduced by these amendments.

The Examiner's attention is drawn to the fact that a filing date of "August 06, 2001" is currently being noted on Office Actions and other communications from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. However, as evidenced by the enclosed copy of the Official Filing Receipt, the actual filing date is March 26, 2001. Applicants request correction of the Patent Office's records at its convenience.

If the Examiner believes that any discussion of this communication would be helpful, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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